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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from

the decision dated April 23, 2002 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 8-12 and 14.

A supporting Appeal Brief will be filed in due course.

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Respectfully submitted,

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